

# ~~PRELIMINARY DRAFT~~APPROVED

## Board of Police Commission Regular Session August 26, 2008

Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Present: Chief DiCarlo, Deputy Chief McLoughlin, Chairman D'Errico, and Commissioners McLoughlin and Lazaroff.

Absent: Commissioner Monz and Commissioner Calafiore

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the June 25, 2008 regular meeting and executive session. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to approve the monthly reports for June and July. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman D'Errico welcomed Larry Lazaroff to the Board replacing Mark Coppola who moved out of town. Commissioner McLoughlin said it will be an honor serving with Commissioner Lazaroff and he has done much for the town over the years. Commissioner McLoughlin said it was an honor to serve with Commissioner Mark Coppola.

### CORRESPONDENCE

1. A family thanked the police department for a funeral escort.
2. A family thanked Officer Paul Cormier for a medical assist.
3. Bernie's Appliances thanked Detective Janosko and Officer Wilcox for their outstanding work on a suspected employee theft.
4. A resident thanked Dispatcher Zona, Officer Stavrides and Officer Wilcox for their assist with a burglar alarm.
5. Fairfield Police Chief Peck thanked Lieutenant Lofquist for helping as an assessor during a promotional exam.
6. Community Services and Recreation Director Sorkin thanked the Chief for assigning Officer Stockman and Officer Falcon to Project Graduation to help ensure the safety of the students at Project Graduation.

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The striping on Universal Drive is complete. Chairman D'Errico would like the street sweeper used on Universal Drive.

### CHIEF'S REPORT

The furniture for the new administrative offices will arrive this Thursday.

Chief will ask for additional funding for the Detective bureau. He would like to have a wall removed and make minor improvements.

Computer software upgrades paid for by a DOT grant will allow officers to access information such as motor vehicle violations, criminal background check, and missing person reports from their cruiser rather than through the dispatcher. Training will begin next week.

Traffic Reports – Several residents requested that speed limit signs be posted on North Avenue. Chief recommended 25mph. Commissioner McLoughlin made a motion to post 25mph speed limit signs on North Avenue, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. Motion passed unanimously. Chief will notify the State Department of Transportation.

Several Warner Road residents have complained about excessive, loud, speeding trucks on Warner Road. Chief reported No Thru Truck signs cannot be posted when an established business is located in the area. The department will monitor the speeding.

Large signs indicating where Montowese Extension is located will be posted on an angle at the end of the ramp in Montowese. Confusion has lead to many large trucks entering Montowese Avenue with no place to turn around.

Detective George R. Hotton will retire at the end of the month with 35 years of service. He is one of the four original cadets and was sworn in as a patrol officer in 1974. The Chief and department wish him well.

Schools will open on August 28, 2008. Radar will be run in the school zones for the next two weeks in the morning and at dismissal time.

Chief reported that the Motorcycle Patrol Unit is being very well received. It runs from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The unit will patrol all shopping plazas in town.

The department had a tactical callout on Saturday evening. The SWAT unit made a successful, by the book tactical entry. He thanked the officers and North Branford officers involved for a great job.

The FY 2007-2008 department budget has a \$34,000.00 surplus. Chief said the fact that the department was under budget on overtime is very important. Commissioner McLoughlin congratulated the Chief on a job well done. Approximately \$100,000.00 more in surplus was taken from the personnel lines by the Finance Department which will be held for police contract settlement.

School Resource Officer Matthew Falcon completed a five day training session in Vermont. The class was paid for by the Justice Department. Officer Falcon will be the primary School Resource Officer and Officer Petrillo will help out.

The SWAT team will participate in the West Hartford Swat Challenge again this year.

Firearms recertification will take place in October.

Officer Frank Castiglione has completed 8 weeks at the academy. Deputy Chief McLoughlin has reserved a seat at the academy for December.

The department purchased a stealthstat box, laser speed binocular, one hand held laser, and a speed trailer for \$12,500.00.

Commissioner Lazaroff said he is honored to be on the commission and thanked Selectmen McCarty, Fontana and Freda for accepting his nomination.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn and move into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner McLoughlin made the motion, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. The time was 8:10 p.m.

At 8:28 P.M. open session reconvened.

A motion was made by Commissioner McLoughlin that the Police Department be given the authority to rehire George Hotton for the period of September 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008 as a Supernumerary Police Officer at the Grade A pay scale. The motion was second by Commissioner Lazaroff. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner McLoughlin and second by Commissioner Lazaroff. Motion passed unanimously. The time was 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Deputy Chief Thomas McLoughlin

Minutes by Mrs. Amato

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Board of Police Commission  
Executive Session  
August 26, 2008

Chairman D'Errico called the executive session to order at 8:15 P.M.

Present: Chairman D'Errico, Commissioner McLoughlin, Commissioner Lazaroff, Chief DiCarlo and Deputy Chief McLoughlin.

Absent: Commissioner Monz and Commissioner Calafiore.

Personnel matters were discussed.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to move back to regular session for the purpose of voting. Commissioner McLoughlin made the motion, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. The time was 8:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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